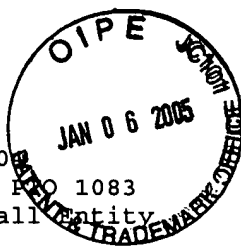


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Applicants : Thomas C. Green et al.
Application No. : 10/693,598 Confirmation No.: 1079
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Group Art Unit : 3736
Examiner : John P. Lacyk

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith: ☐ a Preliminary Amendment;
☒ a Response to Examiner's Final Office Action; ☒ a Terminal Disclaimer with Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b); ☐ a substitute Specification; ☐ a Declaration; ☐ a Supplemental Declaration; ☐ a Power of Attorney; ☐ formal drawings; to be filed in the above-identified patent application.

FEE FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS AND/OR PAGES

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The additional fee has been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL
TOTAL CLAIMS	-	*	= 0	x \$25	= \$.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	-	**	= 0	x \$100	= \$.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				+ \$180	= \$.00
* If less than 20, insert 20. ** If less than 3, insert 3.					TOTAL \$.00

- ☐ As a result of the amendment submitted herewith, this application now includes excess pages beyond those previously paid for. The number of additional groups of 50 excess pages resulting from this amendment is _____ x \$125 = \$ _____.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ _____ in payment of the fee for additional claims and/or pages is transmitted herewith.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$65.00 in payment of the terminal disclaimer fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) is transmitted herewith.
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is transmitted herewith.
- ☐ Please charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 06-1075 in payment of the fee for additional claims. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is transmitted herewith.

EXTENSION FEE

- ☐ The following extension fee is applicable to the Response filed herewith:
☐ \$60.00 extension fee for response within first month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); ☐ \$225.00 extension fee for response within second month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); ☐ \$510.00 extension fee for response within third month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); ☐ \$795.00 extension fee for response within fourth month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); ☐ \$1,080.00 extension fee for response within fifth month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed December 23, 2004, applicants include a terminal disclaimer and submit the following remarks.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.